

A wide-angle photograph of St. Ignatius Catholic School. The building is a two-story structure with a light-colored facade and stone accents. A central entrance features a large arched window and a set of double doors. Above the entrance, the school's name is displayed. To the left of the entrance is a tall, narrow bell tower with a cross on its side. The building is surrounded by a paved area and some greenery.

## 2018-2019 ANNUAL REPORT

# ST. IGNATIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE - FAITH FORMATION  
SERVICE/SOCIAL JUSTICE - STRENGTH OF COMMUNITY

### St. Ignatius Catholic School Mission Statement

St. Ignatius is a Christ-centered Catholic school committed to the Ignatian traditions of academic excellence and teaching students to live their Catholic faith through service and the promotion of justice. Our community - school, families, parish - seeks to inspire students to reach their potential, to act with initiative and integrity, and to engage the world as a place where God can be found in all things.





## 2018-2019 Annual Report

Dear St. Ignatius Catholic School Friends and Supporters,

What a wonderful year it has been! The walls of St. Ignatius Catholic School are alive with learning, laughter, prayer, friendship, and growth. The Holy Spirit has a place in these halls! As I reflect on the successes of this past year, I am most proud of the growing sense of community that we have created. There is truly a St. Ignatius family that has formed. This community is building a foundation of faith and love, and is shaping a culture that is alive with the Holy Spirit. Whether you are a member of this family from near or afar, we are grateful! Your love, prayers, contributions, and support are truly igniting a fire that can be felt by all who pass through our halls.

See for yourself the ways the Spirit is alive and ablaze at St. Ignatius!

Andi Kane, M.Ed, Ed.S.

Principal, St. Ignatius Catholic School



## 2018/2019 Points of Pride:

- We now have 482 Pre-K-8th grade students and 58 professionals on staff with 2 classes at each grade level while maintaining small class sizes ranging from 22-26 for K-8. Our 3rd year enrollment is 97% of total capacity which far exceeds our originally budgeted enrollment goal and makes us the largest Catholic elementary school in Idaho!
- Our culture is strong! 92.9% of our K-3 students say they like school and 95.5% of our K-3 students feel that their teachers care about them. Our year over year retention rate is over 90%! Our students are here to stay!
- Our students are showing tremendous academic growth and achievement across subject areas and grade levels as evidenced by NWEA nationally referenced testing data.
- 100% of students participated in a service and/or social justice project last year, affecting 100s of organizations in the Treasure Valley, across the state of Idaho, in states across our country, and around the world.
- Our middle school is growing students who are high school ready. Middle school teachers continue to work with educators from Bishop Kelly and other local Catholic schools to continue curriculum improvement and vertical alignment with BK to prepare our students for high school success. We have increased parent communication regarding middle school course content, progress, and expectations, and increased student accountability and expectations.
- We have increased our ability to better support all types of students by providing reading and math intervention services and speech services. We have hired an employee to assist with development of and fidelity to intervention plans and have formalized an RTI process to better support students with need.

Average K-8  
student RIT  
percentile score on  
NWEA nationally  
referenced testing:

**MATH**  
**83.4%**

**LANGUAGE**  
**90.3%**

**READING**  
**91.1%**

Thank you for  
being part of our  
awesome  
2018/2019  
community  
events!

Light the Way  
Dinner Auction

TVCS  
Sports

Science  
Olympiad

8th Grade  
Graduation  
& Dinner

Community  
Garden

Hallisey  
Basketball

Fall  
Festival

CSW Pancake  
Breakfast

4th/5th Grade  
Basketball &  
Holy Spirit  
Tournament

Thanksgiving  
Food Drive

Christmas  
Concert

Gray Wolf  
T-Ball

Cookies  
with  
Santa

SVdP  
Service  
Nights

Volunteer  
Breakfast

Jog  
A  
Thon

Monthly  
Pack Nights

Grandparents  
Day

Student  
Summer  
Socials

Art  
Soiree

McCall  
Outdoor  
Science School

# STRENGTH OF COMMUNITY

Fr. Len talks about the theology of *communio*. This is described as “tight knit unity”. It recognizes that the individual drastically affects those around him, and consequently has an effect on the whole group. *Communio* acknowledges that we can accomplish so much more when we are knit closely together and positively influence those around us.

During our first three years at St. Ignatius, we have witnessed the amazing impact of *communio*. The roots of this community are sinking in. We now have a culture that has taken form and is taking off! Our community supports us with time, talent, and treasure. From our volunteers to our donors to the parents who entrust us with their wonderful children. Your smiles, support, and prayers are digging deep roots that will serve as a foundation for decades. The sacrifices you make are setting the stage for our future.

We thank you for your participation, support, enthusiasm, and commitment to our many 2018/2019 community-building events. These events bring us together and create a growing culture of *communio*. We are grateful to all you do to make our St. Ignatius family strong!



95.5% of our  
4th-8th  
students agree  
or strongly  
agree that their  
teacher expects  
them to do their  
best

95% of our  
parents feel that  
we have solid  
instruction in  
Catholic church  
teaching

91.6% of our  
parents feel  
that we are  
meeting our  
goal of  
service/social  
justice

95.2% of our  
parents report  
that their  
students feel  
welcome at  
school

93.7% of our  
K-3 students  
agree or  
strongly agree  
that their work  
makes them  
think

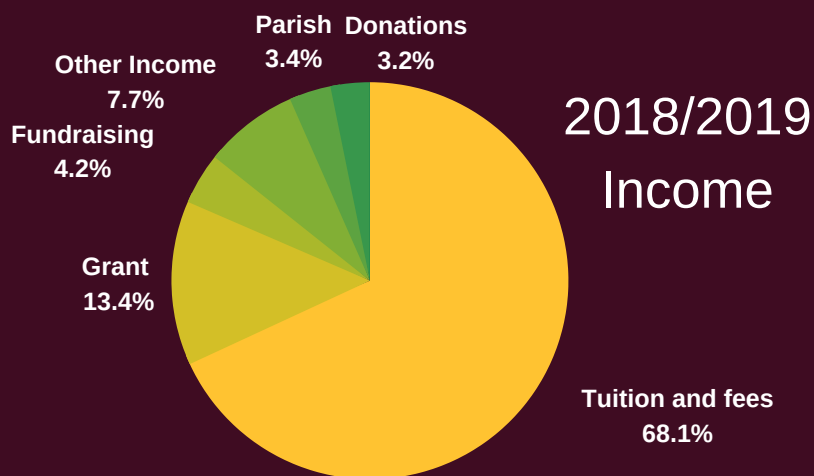






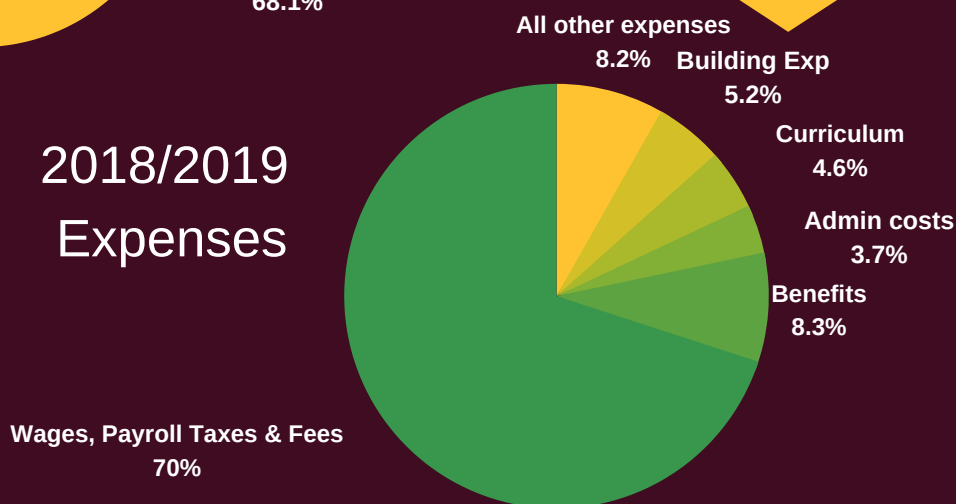
# GROWING LEADERS WHO TURN FAITH INTO ACTION!

## BY THE NUMBERS.....



During the 2018/2019 school year, St. Ignatius successfully completed its first outside financial audit conducted by Harris CPAs. We were pleased to confirm that all financial systems, processes, and procedures are in good order.

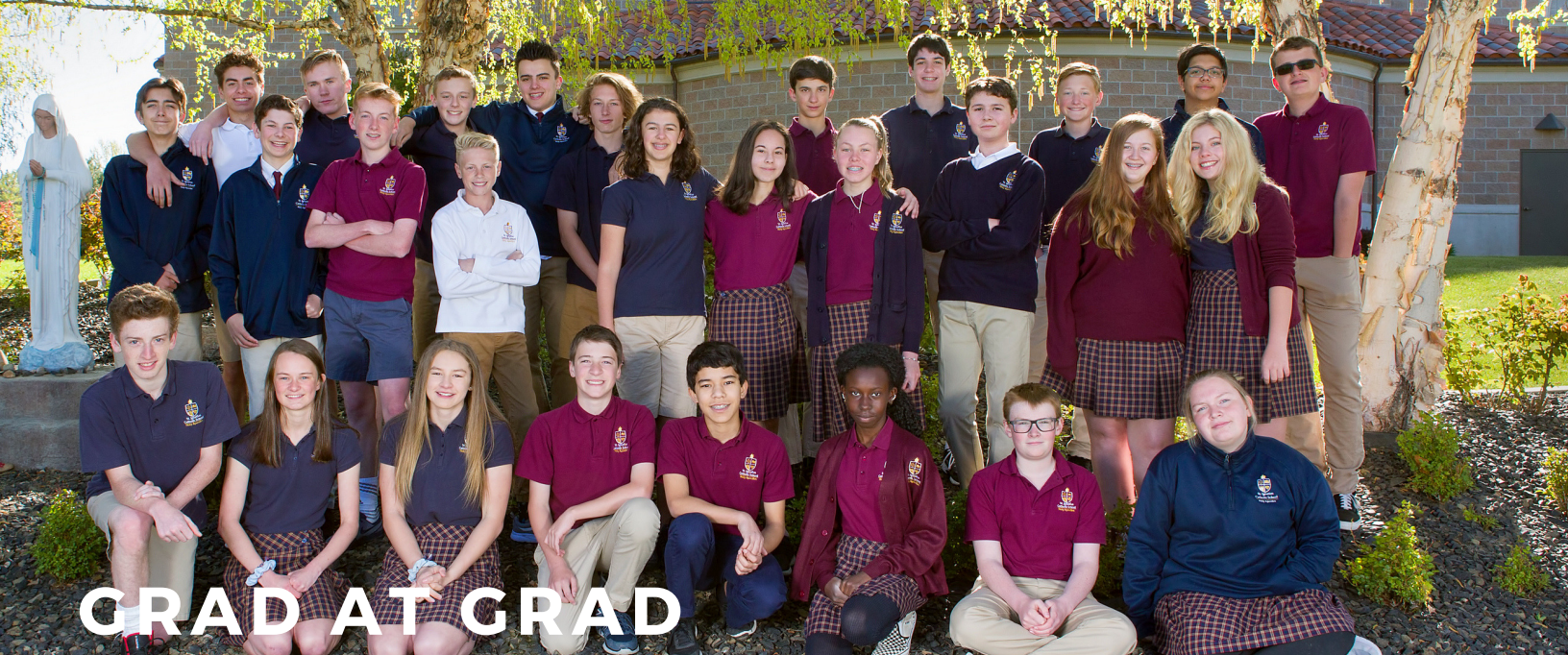
## 2018/2019 Expenses



\*The financial information contained herein reflects financial income and expenses for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 and is prepared in accordance with the basis of accounting prescribed by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Boise, which is a basis of accounting other than Generally Accepted Accounting Principles of the United States.

- 100% of our students are offered tuition at a rate that is below our cost to educate. We make up the difference in our budget through donations from individuals, a parish subsidy and through our annual fundraising efforts.
- 93.6% of our current K-8 students receive some additional kind of tuition assistance (including parish discount, sibling discount, diocesan employee discount, or financial assistance).
- 17 of our current faculty members hold a Master's Degree or above and our full-time staff have 226 years of experience in education.
- St. Ignatius parents and family members volunteered more than 7,400 hours during the 2018/2019 school year. This hard work translates into real dollars for our school. Parents are active in fundraising and also save us money by helping in all areas of the school- from the cafeteria to the crosswalk!





*St. Ignatius Catholic School is proud to present our graduating 8th grade class of 2019!*

One of the most exciting parts of our year was graduating 30 wonderful young men and women who we know will go on to be leaders who turn FAITH into ACTION. Twenty-five of our graduates have gone on to attend Bishop Kelly High School, and five of our students received merit based scholarship awards to Bishop Kelly High School--including one of our students being chosen from all Treasure Valley parishes to receive the Carley Scholarship (a full, four-year scholarship to BK).

We thank these students and their families for joining us on this journey as the 2019 8th grade graduating class of St. Ignatius Catholic School. We enjoyed watching you grow in your faith, friendships, academics, and dedication to service and social justice. May you continue to be growing, learning, loving, reverent, seekers of justice in high school and throughout your life.

## The Path of St. Ignatius

It is our goal that in their time at St. Ignatius, students grow mentally, physically, emotionally, and spiritually while constantly reaching for their highest potential. We hope they honor God by making choices that are for the greater good. St. Ignatius students should strive for the following characteristics throughout their time here:

St. Ignatius students are always GROWING. They seek out opportunities to expand their minds, imaginations, feelings, and connection to God.

St. Ignatius students are constantly LEARNING. They are seekers of knowledge and strive to reach their highest potential in all areas, including academics.

St. Ignatius students are LOVING. They are actively looking for opportunities to see outside themselves and extend their love and mercy to others.

St. Ignatius students are REVERENT. They have a deep respect and awe for God that extends to all people, creatures, and the earth.

St. Ignatius students are SEEKERS OF JUSTICE. They recognize injustice in the world and feel compelled to take action to assist those in need. They prepare themselves to become responsible, concerned citizens of the world.

**ST. IGNATIUS STUDENTS ARE KIDS FOR OTHERS.**

"My St. Ignatius years taught me to seek and answer Christ's call to offer my talents and gifts as I grow over the next four years at BK. My stepping stones on the St. Ignatius Path will always be a part of who I strive to be~ reverent, growing, a seeker of justice, learning and loving."

- Ethan, Freshman, Bishop Kelly

**GO FORTH AND SET THE  
WORLD ON FIRE.**

*St. Ignatius of Loyola*



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THANK YOU to all of the many individuals, families, and businesses who continue to make their pledged payments to the Faith in Our Future Capital Campaign.

THANK YOU to Holy Apostles Parish for continuing to provide financial and spiritual support to our community. \$100,000 was generously contributed to our program by Holy Apostles Catholic Church during the 2018/2019 fiscal year.

THANK YOU to our Home & School Association. HSA events from the 2018-2019 school year raised over \$180,847. \$125,647 was donated to St. Ignatius Catholic School and \$55,200 was donated to St. Ignatius School Foundation.

THANK YOU to all of the businesses and individuals who donated items for our Ignite the Night auction, Art Soiree, Fall Festival, and Jog A Thon, and THANK YOU to all of the volunteers, attendees, donors and auction purchasers!!

In addition to our generous benefactors, we are sincerely grateful to all who have given of time and talent to St. Ignatius Catholic School. We thank you for giving of yourself to further the mission of St. Ignatius Catholic School.





# GRAY WOLVES GIVING

## IDAHO EDUCATION TAX CREDIT

*Maintaining affordable tuition for all and financial assistance to those who need it.*

St. Ignatius Catholic School relies on the philanthropic generosity of our community to maintain our current tuition/income model. Your gifts “bridge the gap” between the actual cost to educate a student at St. Ignatius and the amount of tuition paid for each student. Without substantial financial support from our community, we will not be able to maintain these substantial tuition discounts. That means that every student who attends St. Ignatius benefits from the generosity of our donors.

Gray Wolves Giving provides donors with a vehicle to make an incredibly tax effective contribution directly to the school by taking advantage of the Idaho Education Tax Credit. Using the Idaho Education Tax Credit, it doesn’t have to cost a lot to make a big difference at St. Ignatius Catholic School.

The Idaho Education Tax Credit lets you support Idaho Catholic Schools with dollars you would otherwise pay on your Idaho Income Tax Return. The State will CREDIT 50% of the first \$500 for an individual or \$1000 for a married couple filing jointly. In addition, the normal charitable deduction permits you to deduct the amount of your contribution on your Federal Income Tax Return as well as on your State Income Tax Return. (If you itemize your deductions). Depending on your tax bracket and liability, your contribution to St. Ignatius could cost you very little.

The chart below shows examples of how the Idaho Education Tax Credit works based on the 35% marginal tax bracket and itemized taxpayer return. You must have a large enough tax obligation to qualify. Figures are estimates. As always, we recommend discussing your specific tax situation with your tax advisor.

Joint Return Gift Amount	\$250	\$400	\$1,000
Tax Benefit from itemizing deductions*	(\$87.50)	(\$140.00)	(\$350.00)
50% Idaho Education Credit	(\$125.00)	(\$200.00)	(\$500.00)
<b>NET out of pocket cost of contribution</b>	<b>\$37.50</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR MISSION!